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Invention: ABNORMAL VOLTAGE PROTECTION CIRCUIT

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ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Commissioner:

On December 5, 2003, the USPTO issued a restriction requirement in respect to the species of figure 1, figure 2, figure 8, figure 9, and figure 10.

Applicant elects to pursue figure 8 in the present application with traverse. Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29, 30, and 31 read on the elected species. This species includes a voltage interconnect interconnected to the ground in the circuit (see for example appln pg 7 lns 18-23; pg 10 lns 11+). This carries the change voltage in one connector to alter the condition of a second connector (pg 11 lns 11-18). A capacitor is preferred in the embodiment due to its simplicity (pg 13 lns 3-9). The

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application teaches that the basic circuit of figure 1 can be utilized with additional components for the preferred circuit embodiment of figures 2 and 8 (pg 14 lns 14-15; pg 9 lns 17-19; pg 11 lns 12-14; pg 4 lns 14-16; pg 5 lns 7-12) with an alternate embodiment in figures 8-10 (pg 5 lns 7-12; pg 18 lns 6-16). Applicant, therefore, believes that an election at the present time is premature and respectfully requests the examiner's reconsideration thereof.

Favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully solicited,
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2002

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101 740	201 370	Utility filing fee	
106 330	206 165	Design filing fee	
107 510	207 255	Plant filing fee	
108 740	208 370	Reissue filing fee	
114 160	214 80	Provisional filing fee	

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims -20** = X =
Independent Claims -3** = X =
Multiple Dependent =

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	55
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116 400	216 200	Extension for reply within second month	
117 920	217 460	Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,440	218 720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,960	228 980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 320	219 160	Notice of Appeal	
120 320	220 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 280	221 140	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,280	241 640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,280	242 640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 460	243 230	Design issue fee	
144 620	244 310	Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126 180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146 740	246 370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 740	249 370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 740	279 370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169 900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) _____

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